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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Communication mailed July 1, 2004, a response to which is due October 1, 2004, Applicants hereby submit the following response.

The following is submitted herewith: Amendments to the Claims and Remarks.

This response is being filed further to the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed electronically on August 26, 2004, a copy of and a receipt for which is enclosed herewith, and further to the telephone interview of September 13, 2004 between Examiner Jiang and the undersigned.

Full consideration of the present response and entry into the record is requested.